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BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN THE CAMPUS AND THE COMMUNITY

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Campus Safety Officer Dan Tiller inspects cars for the proper stickers in the commuter lot behind Valk Agriculture Building.

Despite increase in permit prices space problems hamper Northwest, ticketing rates remain consistent

By MATTHEW PEARL
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Student complaints about parking are focussing on the parking lot behind the Valk Agriculture Professional Center.

Almost hourly congestion of the lot, which seems ideally arranged to accommodate commuters, has caused non-stop stress for several dissatisfied off-campus students.

"It's very difficult," Public Relations major Andrea Blizard said. "I have a problem parking here every day."

One source of the frustration felt by commuters is that residents are parking in the Valk lot because of its close proximity to Hudson, Perrin, and Roberta Halls.

"Residents should have to park in the lots further out, because they basically stay on campus," English major Charisse Ray said.

According to Clarence Green, Campus Safety Director, the University is aware of the problem, but solutions are limited at this time. He admitted that commuters are the students with the greatest disadvantage in the struggle to park on campus.

However, there are solutions in sight, he said. In the upcoming construction behind Garrett-Strong and the expansion of the lot formerly used by the Armory, roughly 300 parking spaces should be added by 2003 to help relieve some of the parking pressures.

"We're a tight-knit community at Northwest," Green said. "We want parking to be close."

Until the completion of the parking additions, Green suggests commuters take advantage of all available resources for parking.

"We have a lot on campus where I'd bet about two cars park at a given time," he said.

The parking lot west of the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center, a lot which many consider to be too far away from their campus destinations, is available for commuter parking.

Perhaps louder than the cries from commuters competing for spaces in the Valk lot are the overall complaints by students and faculty over the prices of parking permits. More costly stickers, this year at a new high of \$70, have people asking why there aren't more improvements being made to the parking situation.

"The University should expand the parking," said Molly Klesath, Elementary Education major. "Permits are so high."

Ray Courter, vice-president for finance and support services, said the budgeting of parking improvements is not as simple as it may seem.

According to Courter, the money collected through parking permits and fines must be used for virtually all expenses related to campus roads or parking lots. This even includes lighting, line painting, and the hiring of workers to do the labor and to write tickets for parking violators.

"The State of Missouri does not give the University funding for improvement of roads or parking," Courter said, "but you have to have reasonable means for people to get around."

For Northwest to add a parking lot, Courter said, much planning is involved to provide for a financially feasible proposal. He cited the relatively new lot between Millikan Hall and the Health Center as an example. Money must be borrowed to finance the project, and collected parking fees must be used in subsequent years to repay the principal and interest.

"The new roadway and parking lot behind Garrett-Strong as well as the expansion of the Armory lot are our next projects," Courter said. "With those improvements alone we're probably looking at a \$4 million undertaking."

Before the improvements are completed, Courter said students shouldn't worry much about increased prices for parking permits.

"The permit prices really won't raise much," Courter said. "Over the next four years, I estimate the prices to raise a total of \$25 or \$30."

Horace Mann receives grant

Lab school assisted financially to promote fitness education

By JACOB DIPIETRE
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Horace Mann Lab School launched its new exercise equipment and fitness program with a ribbon cutting ceremony at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday.

The equipment was provided with a \$10,000 grant from Project Fit America, a non-profit organization that administers academic programs in the area of fitness. Project Fit America is sponsored, regionally, by the Heartland Regional Community Foundation.

The grant money was used to construct seven exercise stations north of Lamkin Activity Center.

Carole Edmonds, Horace Mann director, said since Horace Mann is a laboratory school it is restricted in the amount of federal aid it can receive, so she was eager to do what she could to get the grant.

"One of the things I tried to tie into this was it is a campus-wide and community-wide event," Edmonds said. "I see quite a few community members come out and walk on the track in the evening, so I hope they'll use the equipment."

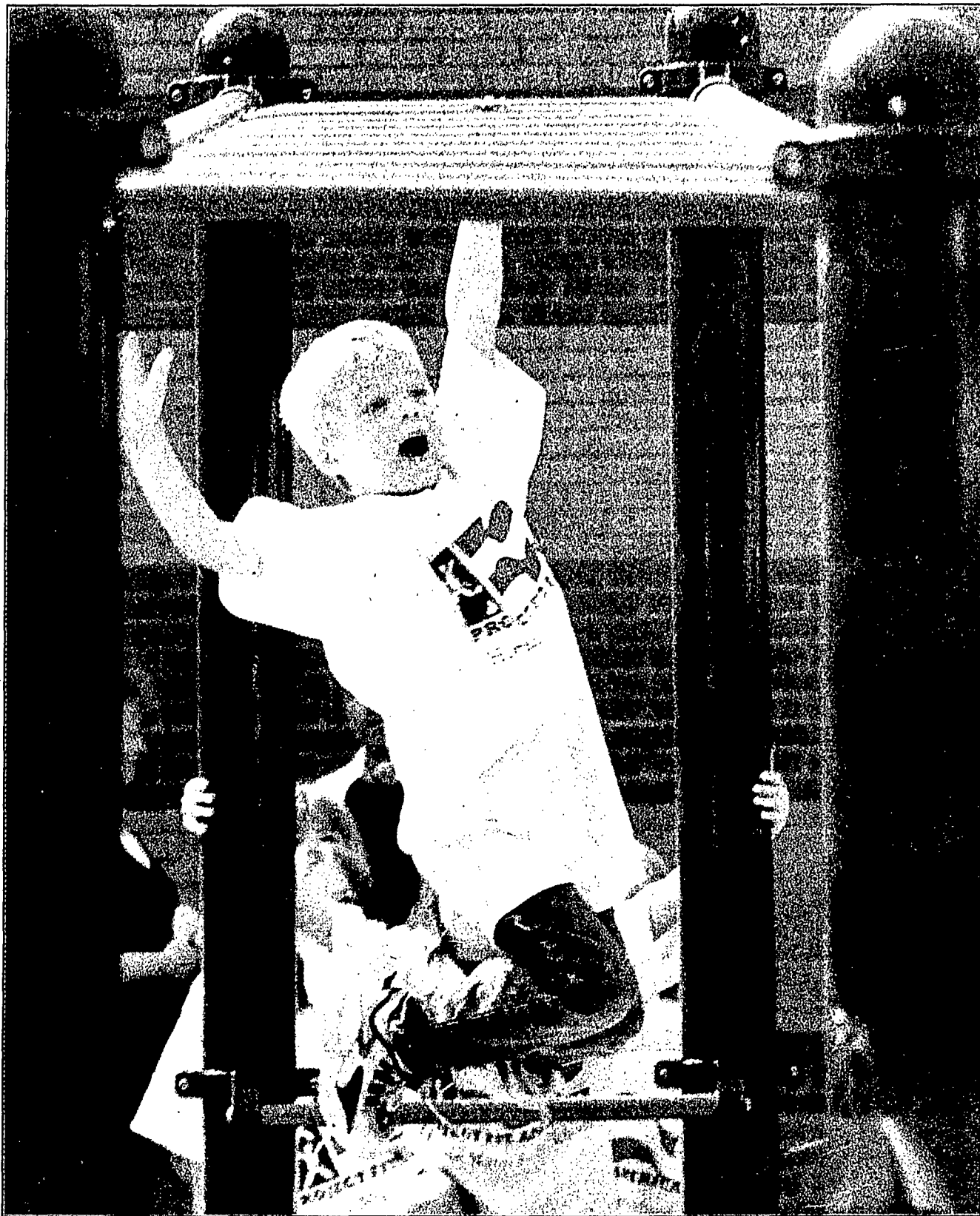
Judy Sabbert-Muck, chief of operations for Heartland Regional Community Foundation, said the grant process was very in-depth, and one of the aspects that set Horace Mann apart was the fact that the equipment could be used by both students and community members.

"It is a rigorous process," Sabbert-Muck said. "They must demonstrate their commitment to health, and Horace Mann came to the top."

Sabbert-Muck said Heartland Regional Community Foundation sent out 116 calls to different area schools to apply for the grant and Horace Mann was one of five accepted.

Max Ruhl, Dean of the College of education and human services, said he was impressed the school received the grant and said it should open many doors in the future.

"It really allows us to stay on the cutting edge of phys. ed programs at the elementary level," Ruhl said. "It gives us an opportunity to be a model school in this area for fitness, and it's really exciting because Northwest has had such a commitment to fitness through the faculty and staff fitness programs."



MIKE RANDELL/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

Horace Mann second level student Jacob Kaiser attempts to cross the new monkey bars outside the school during a grand opening Tuesday. Project Fit America granted \$10,000 to Horace Mann to build the fitness equipment, which is open for community use.

Weekend car accidents leave students injured

By JAMASA KRAMER
CHIEF REPORTER

Two Northwest students received serious injuries in separate car accidents over Labor Day weekend.

Laurie Zimmerman, Student Senate president, was involved in a one-car accident Sunday around 3 p.m. She was traveling to Kansas City from the Lake of the Ozarks.

The accident occurred on U.S. Highway 70. The report filed by the Missouri Highway Patrol said Zimmerman's vehicle traveled to the left side of the road and struck a median. The vehicle then came back on the road and over turned several times before stopping.

Zimmerman was the driver of the vehicle. She had three passengers with her; Angella Riley, 23, of Gladstone, Kim Hunnicutt, 21, of Kansas City, and Sarah Ingalls, 21, of Gladstone.

Zimmerman was the only one to

receive serious injuries. She was taken by life flight to the University of Columbia at Missouri Hospital. Zimmerman broke her wrist, broke her arm in two places, and will have surgery for muscle related injuries, said Stacy Cummings, Student Senate vice president of special events, in a Student Senate meeting on Tuesday. She was released from the hospital Wednesday.

Melissa Owen, freshman technical theater major, was involved in a two-car accident Monday at 11:17 p.m., on her way back to school. The accident occurred on U.S. Highway 71, 10 miles south of Maryville.

Owen attempted to pass a semi-truck on a hill. While passing, she struck Ray Thomas, 68, of Barnard, traveling south as he came over the hill. The two vehicles struck head on and came to rest on the west side of the road.



Laurie Zimmerman
STUDENT SENATE PRESIDENT



JASON MYERS/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER

Ernst Uthlaut attempts to rope a steer during a rodeo practice Tuesday. The Ed Phillips Memorial Rodeo begins 8 p.m. Saturday.

Northwest plays host to 5th annual rodeo

By WENDY BROKER
UNIVERSITY SPORTS EDITOR

Between 150 and 200 cowboys and cowgirls will invade Maryville Saturday and Sunday in hopes of winning cash prizes and performing in front of a crowd.

They are coming to town to participate in the fifth annual Ed Phillips Memorial Rodeo, which doubles as a fund raiser for the Northwest rodeo team.

Participants must be members of the Missouri Rodeo Cowboys Association or United Rodeo Association.

"This isn't a professional rodeo in that many of the competitors have other jobs," said Duane Jewell, Northwest rodeo team sponsor. "These are people who like to perform in rodeos and want a chance to earn money doing it. This is a chance for people to see local college rodeo athletes as well as people from a wide geographic area."

Men will compete for prize money in bareback riding, saddle bronc, calf roping, steer wrestling, team roping and bull riding. Women will participate in breakaway roping, team roping and barrel racing. Children 8 and under will be able to register for a mutton busting competition each day where they will see how long they can ride sheep.

Adult participants pay entry fees to cover stock charges and the prize money; the rodeo team must cover the rest of the \$6,000 or \$7,000 it takes to run the meet. Money raised from crowd admission and any concessions proceeds will help the rodeo team pay that bill. Any money leftover is used to raise funds for the year, Jewell said.

The rodeo begins at 8 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, but the gates will open at the Ed Phillips Memorial Arena two hours early each day. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$4 for children 10 and under. Patrons can receive \$1 off at the student services desk, Econo Foods or Hy-Vee in advance.

Problems arise in peer advisers' contracts

By JAMASA KRAMER
CHIEF REPORTER

Concern over payroll has arisen among peer advisers who hold other employment positions on campus.

By University policy, no student is allowed to work more than 20 hours per week on campus. Peer advisers, according to contract, work three hours a week but are not paid on a monthly basis like other positions.

With most University-employed students, hours are recorded on a time sheet and calculated at the end of each pay period. Peer adviser positions however, are figured differently. They are paid \$300 a trimester in two installments, instead of monthly.

Payment for peer advisers in their contract is stated as follows: "Pay each peer advisor \$300 per trimester, equal to a three hour work component." Confusion among peer advisers lies in the calculation of three hours of work.

When figuring student pay for three hours a week for 16 weeks at \$5.15 an hour, the total is \$216, not \$300. Peer advisers question whether they were receiving the three hour equivalent or \$300.

Tina Coffelt, coordinator of student employment, said peer adviser pay is calculated differently than other student jobs. Their pay is based around their promised pay of \$300.

"What I do is I take the \$300 divided by the 16 weeks in the trimester and then you divide that by 3 hours per week, and that averages to be \$6.25 an hour," she said.

Unlike other student employee positions that are paid on a monthly basis, peer advisers are paid in two installments of \$150 at the end of October and December. Coffelt said this is done because of problems in documenting when they work.

"Freshman seminar stops around the middle of October, so for the en-

tire month of November the peer adviser is not working," she said. "But they are working during advantage week and during training sessions. So it does kind of average out towards the end. I think that is why they do this in a lump sum because it is difficult to quantify their pay."

Coffelt said peer advisers do not fill out time sheets because they do not have a set hourly wage. Peer advisers are one of the few groups on campus who are paid in a lump sum.

"There are very few people on campus who are paid in a lump sum, the majority of student employees are filling out time sheets and are being paid at \$5.15 an hour," she said. "\$6.25 is just an average because we are not saying 'OK, they get \$6.25 an hour.' It is not that way at all. They are essentially being paid a contract amount."

What has gotten certain peer advisers in such an uproar is the fact that peer advisers are not paid monthly,

but the three hour component is still figured into the 20 hours they are allowed to work on campus.

Students who work 20 hours a week for other on-campus employment and get paid for those hours monthly feel like they are taking a pay cut because they can only claim 17 hours, so they can claim three hours for peer advising.

Coffelt said she does not know why the decision was made to have peer advisers paid in two installments instead of monthly, but said in the end peer advisers will be getting more money.

"When a student is working 20 hours per week for 16 weeks, they are earning \$1,648," Coffelt said. "If that same student is working 17 hours per week, they are earning \$1,400. When you add the \$300 they will receive for peer advising, you get \$1,700, which is \$50 more than they would have earned."

Review & Preview

THURSDAY

MHS boys soccer
■ 4 p.m.
■ Home, vs. Park Hill

MHS girls golf
■ 4 p.m.
■ At Central High School, St. Joseph

MHS girls softball
■ 4:30 p.m.
■ Home, vs. Benton High School

MHS volleyball
■ 5, 6 and 7 p.m.
■ At Platte County

International Management Association meeting
■ 6 p.m.
■ Colden Hall room 3600

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MONDAY

MHS girls tennis
■ 4 p.m.
■ At Benton High School, St. Joseph

MHS girls golf
■ 4 p.m.
■ At Benton High School, St. Joseph

MHS cross country
■ 5 p.m.
■ At the Red Oak (Iowa) Invitational

Northwest intramural cross country meet
■ Mazingo Nature Trail

Registration for Northwest intramural flag football ends
■ Noon
■ University recreation center

Alcoholics Anonymous
■ 6 p.m.
■ First United Methodist Church Agape House

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FRIDAY

McKern Center for Lifelong Learning grand opening
■ 10 a.m.
■ Located behind Garrett-Strong near the green house

MHS football
■ 7 p.m.
■ At Smithville

Northwest volleyball
■ 7 p.m.
■ At Pittsburg (Kan.) State University

Northwest cross country
■ Iowa State Classic
■ 4:30 and 5 p.m.
■ At Ames, Iowa

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TUESDAY

Missouri Highway Safety Brigade
■ Noon - 1:30 p.m.
■ Hy-Vee parking lot

MHS boys soccer
■ 4:30 p.m.
■ At Smithville

MHS girls softball
■ 4:30 a.m.
■ Home, vs. Chillicothe

MHS volleyball
■ 5, 6 and 7 p.m.
■ At Benton High School, St. Joseph

Narcotics Anonymous
■ 6 p.m.
■ First United Methodist Church Agape House

Student Senate
■ 7 p.m., 3650 Colden Hall

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SATURDAY

Rosh Hashana

MHS volleyball
■ 9 a.m.
■ At the Nemaha Valley Tournament

Northwest volleyball
■ 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.
■ At Missouri Southern State College, Joplin

Relay for Life
■ 6 p.m.
■ MHS track

National football championship alumni reception
■ 7 p.m.
■ Adam's Mark Hotel, Kansas City

Ed Phillips Memorial Rodeo
■ 8 p.m.
■ Ed Phillips Memorial Arena
■ Admission: \$6 adults, \$4 children 10 and under; \$1 off in advance at Hy-Vee or EconoFoods

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WEDNESDAY

Last date to drop a University first-block course

University second installment due

Meeting for spring semester student teachers
■ Registration begins at 3:30 p.m.
■ 4 p.m.
■ Conference Center

Northwest volleyball
■ 7 p.m.
■ At Truman State University, Kirksville

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SUNDAY

Grandparents' Day

Madralliers to Renaissance Festival
■ 10:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.
■ Bonner Springs, Kan.

Chamber car show
■ Registration is 8 a.m. - noon
■ Noon - 3 p.m.
■ Beal Park

Northwest soccer
■ 1 p.m.
■ Home, vs. Missouri Valley College
■ High rise soccer field

Ed Phillips Memorial Rodeo
■ 2 p.m.
■ Ed Phillips Memorial Arena
■ Admission: \$6 adults, \$4 children 10 and under; \$1 off in advance at Hy-Vee or EconoFoods

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THURSDAY

MHS girls golf
■ 4 p.m.
■ Home, vs. Lafayette High School at Mazingo

MHS boys soccer
■ 4:30 p.m.
■ At Maur Hill Prep School, Atchison, Kan.

MHS girls softball
■ 4:30 p.m.
■ At Smithville

MHS volleyball
■ 5, 6 and 7 p.m.
■ Home, vs. Lafayette High School

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NORTHWEST

Regent applications available to students

Student Senate is accepting applications to the Student Representative to the Board of Regents. Applicants must be Missouri residents, have a grade point average of 2.50 or higher, have at least two years remaining at Northwest and remain a full-time student during the two-year term in office.

The regent is responsible for voicing the opinion of the student body to the Board of Regents and is required to attend all board meetings.

Applications can be picked up at the student services desk or in the Student Senate office and are due in the Student Senate office by 5 p.m. on Sept. 16. The Regent will be selected by Gov. Mel Carnahan.

1999 Family of Year nominations taken

Nominations are now being accepted for the 1999 Northwest Family of the Year and can be turned in at the Mabel Cook Admissions and Visitors Center until noon on Monday.

The award is presented as part of Family Day on Sept. 25. The winning family will be announced at the Alumni House at 12:30 p.m. and will be presented during pregame of the Bearcat football game.

Forms are available at Mabel Cook or the student services desk in the Administration Building.

University firewall receives treatment

Problems with the University's Internet firewall were corrected when a program patch was installed on Sept. 1, allowing the University to keep the firewall.

The patch was installed within minutes of delivery, said Jon Rickman, vice president for information systems and computing services. He said the problem with the Internet locking up has not re-

occurred since the installation.

The patch "undid" some of the newer features which were written into the firewall software program.

"The main goal was to keep the network stable without anything changing," Rickman said. "The good news is that the firewall software has been fixed and is working right."

MARYVILLE

Annual Relay for Life attracts attention

The American Cancer Society's second annual Maryville Relay for Life will begin at 6 p.m. Saturday and last until 7 a.m. Sunday and will be held at the Maryville High School track.

Entertainment will be provided throughout the night. Relay teams will be selling food and raffle prizes; all proceeds will go to the Nodaway unit of the American Cancer Society.

The first lap of the event will be led by cancer survivors. A luminary lighting ceremony honoring people who have died because of cancer and celebrating those who have survived will begin at 7:30 p.m. Names will be read off as their respective luminary is lit. The luminaries can be purchased for \$10 and are still available. For information, contact Teri Harr at 562-3019.

Maryville Chamber to conduct auto show

The Maryville Chamber of Commerce will hold its fourth annual car and truck show Sunday.

The Chamber has expanded the show this year to include classic and antique tractors. Executive Director Colleen Hastings said the addition was made to accommodate generated interest in the community.

The show will begin at noon and admission is free to the public. People wishing to participate can pre-register at the Chamber of Commerce or register between 8 a.m. and Noon the morning of the show. There is an entry fee of \$15.

Submit your local organization's events for posting on the Community Calendar by calling 562-1224, e-mailing us at NorthwestMissourian@hotmail.com or faxing us at 562-1521. Events are due on Tuesday, the week of publication.

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Regular Student Employment and Work-Study are welcome.



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The women of SIGMA KAPPA are proud to introduce their 1999 Pledge Class:

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Views & Opinions

OUR VIEW

Fans question loss

Local support of Bearcat football may diminish after showing at University of Nebraska-Omaha

Our beloved and defending national champion football team has started the season 1-1 with a lot of questions to be answered of what happened last weekend in Omaha, Neb. One of the first questions that can be asked is if fan support will diminish after the game.

To start out the season looking sluggish against Arkansas Tech University and then to go to the University of Nebraska-Omaha and receive the whipping the team got was tremendously shocking to fans who expected so much out of this team.

If supporters of the Bearcat's turn their backs on the team this early, it will be a shame because everybody must remember this is not the same team from 1998. Northwest did not even play against the Mavericks in the regular season last year, let alone the second game of the year.

There is a realization if the 'Cats do not look as good or repeat similar actions of last year, fans will get impatient and direct their interest toward something else. How can you expect the same feats be repeated when junior starting quarterback Travis Miles has only completed two games at Northwest? People need to remember that Chris Griesen is in the National Football League with the Arizona Cardinals and will never be taking snaps at Northwest again.

Give Miles some time; it is hard for a quarterback to come in and win the crowd over when the one before him left such a mark, including a national championship.

The game against Nebraska-Omaha was a good wake-up call

for the Bearcats, showing them what they really need to work on before MIAA play starts up.

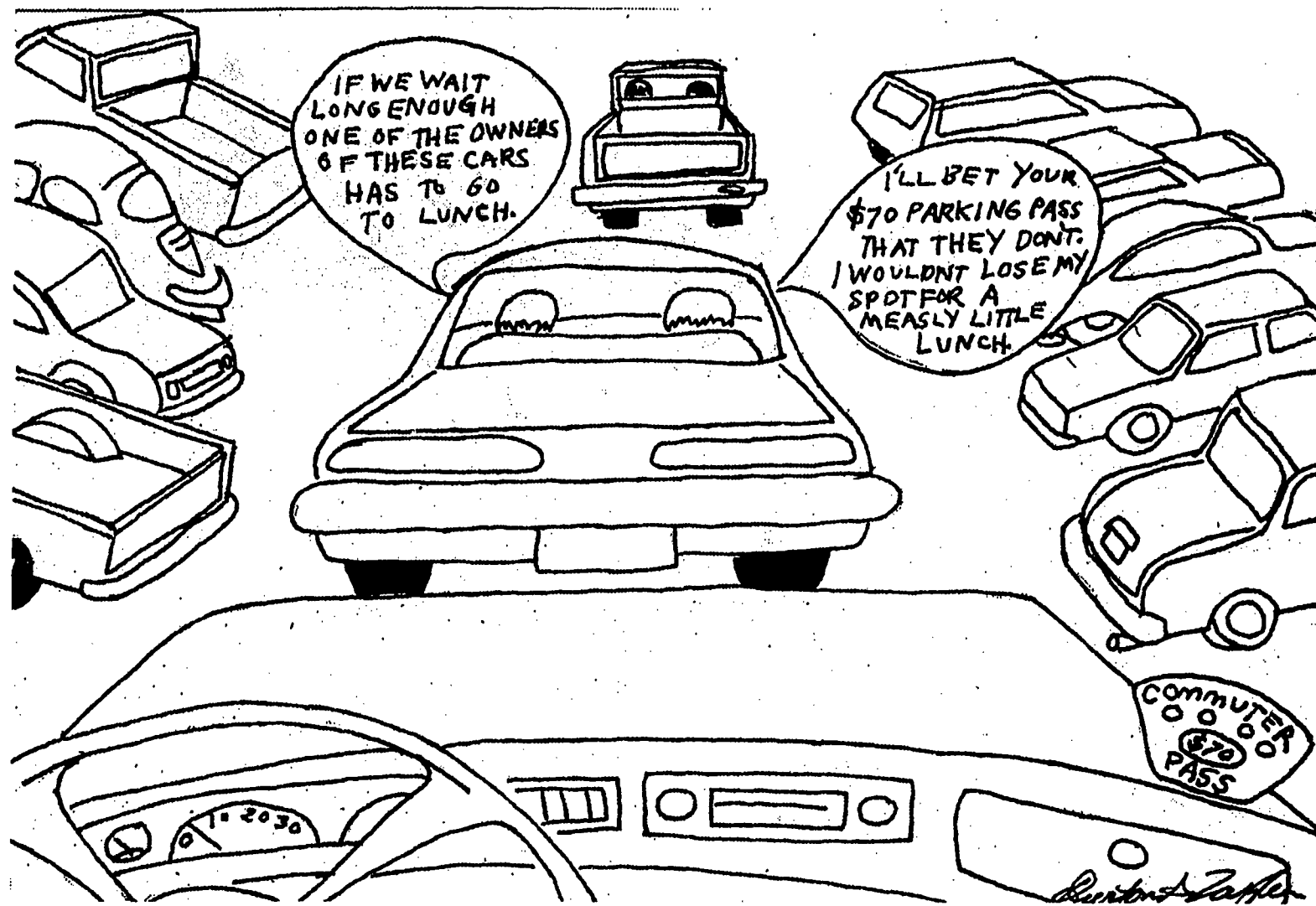
If the 'Cats wish to compete with 10th-ranked Pittsburg State University on Sept. 18, the offensive line must really step up and perform better than they did. When a team can only get eight first downs and gain 80 yards rushing, you know there is a problem deeper than just pregame butterflies.

There should not have been a problem of forgetting how to run the ball, because the Mavericks did just that with junior quarterback Kwanzi Watts running for 225 yards on 11 carries by himself.

Some people are asking why should we follow this team if they seem to be too cocky when they step onto the field against a stronger opponent? Do the players on the team need to look within themselves and figure where they stand and what they need to do in order to get back to the top? Some do believe this team may have been too conceited going into this game and into the season, but there is nothing like an embarrassing loss on the road to bring you back to earth.

Things will not get any easier as the year grows, but one thing is for certain, everybody on the 'Cats schedule saw their weakness exposed over the weekend, and they will be gunning to take advantages of these problems.

Maybe the problem does not lie with the football team, maybe people need to realize there is more than just one successful sport on this campus to cheer for.



MY VIEW

Unannounced creature invades local household

Sitting in my living room late Friday night, I had a visitor of the most nocturnal kind. Flying at warp speed straight at me was the ugliest winged creature I had ever seen.

Doing what seemed first nature to me, I screamed and ducked underneath the furry blanket that had been lying on my legs.

After sufficiently waiting at least 5 minutes, I decided to risk uncovering myself to examine the living room. Across from me, my roommate, Erica, was in the same position, staring at me from underneath her own blanket.

"Was that a bat?" I questioned. Without even waiting for a reply, I screamed, "Jacob!"

Just at that moment, our winged friend flew into the room where Jacob was reading. Fearing for his life, I reacted in the only way I thought could help him. I screamed a warning and ducked back under the blanket.

When I dared to uncover myself again, I saw Jacob walking out of the room laughing at us.

It wasn't funny, however. This was very serious to me. All I wanted was a quick plan on how this blood-sucking rodent was leaving through our front door.

Jacob explained that as a child, bats had flown down his chimney at home. He and his father would catch the bats using fireplace gloves and remove the problem. Realizing that we had no fireplace gloves, we did the next best thing: called for reinforcements.

Jacob phoned in an SOS to the Tau Kappa Epsilon house. After explaining the situation, and re-explaining that it was a bat, "no, the

flying kind," the voice on the other end promised to be there quickly.

Erica and I quickly volunteered to wait outside for the help. At that point, none of us had any idea where the bat was in the apartment. We left

Jacob with only a broom and waited patiently for the troops. Three warriors got out of the car and they quickly entered our apartment. Through the window we saw Jacob, now the general of the operation, explain the situation and then

instruct the troops, handing one the broom.

I can't say what happened next. I stayed outside. I do know that in a matter of minutes the problem had been appropriately taken care of and the troops left relishing in the glory of their victory.

So we were left only wondering how the creature had gotten in our apartment in the first place. Calling our landlord the next day, we came to the conclusion that the bat had flown in through the door.

She went on to explain that bats, especially brown bats, are very common in the Maryville area during this time of year. They usually are active at night and early mornings, which is probably when our friend joined us. But, being a vet technician, she told me bats are our friends. They actually eat up to 4,000 bugs each night, including mosquitoes and chiggers.

If you have a problem with a bat, feel free to call the TKE house. Or a Tupperware container placed over the bat will allow easy removal.

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JACKIE TEGEN

YOUR VIEW

What do you think can be done to solve the University's parking problem?



"If we maximize the use of all the parking lots, especially lot 18 [west of the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center] then we can evaluate the problem more accurately."

SGT. AMY WATSON, CAMPUS SAFETY



"Don't sell passes if there's not enough spaces."

MICHELLE QUIGLEY, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION MAJOR AND RESIDENT



"There's only one solution: don't allow parking on campus until your sophomore year."

DAVE ASHBROOK, PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR AND COMMUTER



"Maybe they should only allow so many parking stickers to freshmen on the basis of who was accepted first. Or use the money from stickers to build parking garages."

JENNIFER CURRY, MARKETING MAJOR AND COMMUTER



"If there is an area close by, I suggest they use it for parking."

ANDREW LLOYD, SPECIAL EDUCATION MAJOR AND RESIDENT

MY TURN

Steakhouse opening invites family dining

For all those who were miserable living in a town without a Golden Coral or Ponderosa, the Golden Eagle Steakhouse should satisfy their yearning for a buffet-style restaurant.

The Golden Eagle Steakhouse, located at the corner of Main and Lieber streets, opened Sept. 2. The owner and manager, Joe Kwong, said the menu is temporarily limited to a buffet and steaks, but a full menu is being devised.

"We provide a family atmosphere at an affordable price," Kwong said.

When I ate at the Golden Eagle Steakhouse it was evident that it was made for family dining. The dining area is decorated thriftily, and the portraits of the stars in the movie "Batman and Robin" add a nice touch. Though the atmosphere is bland, the Golden Eagle Steakhouse is a comfortable setting for those with small children. Families should also appreciate the fact that children

eight and under can eat for half-price, and those under three can eat for free.

The buffet is typical of any family restaurant. With plenty of variety (taco bar, salad bar, desert bar and numerous entrees) and there is always enough for a second helping.

Since it is a steakhouse I decided sampling one of their steaks was mandatory. I ordered a 6-ounce sirloin, but was mildly surprised that the one I was served seemed

more like eight or nine. The steak could have used more seasoning, but it was juicy and cooked to the temperature I requested.

As a whole, the meal I had at The Golden Eagle Steakhouse was not the best I have eaten, but it was filling and came at a reasonable price.

Eric Davis, *Missourian* features reporter, can be reached at 207251@mail.nwmissouri.edu or 562-1224.



ERIC DAVIS

CORRECTIONS

■ Due to a reporter's error, Maryville high school golfer Abby Jelavich's name was misspelled Aug. 26 and Sept. 2. *The Missourian* apologizes for the error.

■ Due to a reporter's error, Zane Locke Stone's grandparents were misidentified. His grandparents are

Steve and Cheryl Townsend, Maryville; Richard Stone, St. Louis; and Connie Stone, Ballwin.

His great-grandparents are Tom and Nancy Townsend, Maryville; and Della Locke, Carnegie, Penn.

The Missourian apologizes for the error.

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News & Events

Transfer station awaits permit

Kansas landfill receives area waste to fulfill city's needs

By JOSH FLAHARTY
NEWS EDITOR

Construction has been completed on Maryville's transfer station and the city is currently awaiting permits from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to begin operation.

According to Matt Chesnut, assistant city manager, the permit request should be approved by the DNR within 30 to 60 days.

He said negotiations are currently under way with N.R. Hamm Corporation of Perry, Kan., to transport the trash to a landfill north of Lawrence, Kan., for disposal.

Once the transfer station begins operation, all solid waste will be sent to Lawrence for disposal. Chesnut said about 10,000 tons of trash per year will be shipped to Lawrence through the station.

The Maryville Landfill and Recycling Center will then be used solely for special waste, or manufacturing by-products, from area factories.

Chesnut said the waste is not hazardous, but must be handled in a different manner than solid waste.

The transfer station option was chosen over building a new landfill for financial reasons.

"The cost for permitting a landfill is astronomical," Chesnut said. "It costs somewhere between \$400,000 and \$500,000 per acre to license."

He said Maryville would need more than 10 acres for a new landfill to have an acceptable operation life.

MIPs, DWIs increase in Maryville

By DEBBIE BACON
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Minors who neglect to observe the law might find themselves as contributors to the latest minor in possession statistics. Numbers show that MIPs are on the rise.

"I have observed what I consider to be a large number of MIPs come across my desk," said Director of Public Safety Keith Wood.

Wood attributes this to freshmen. He believes they drink in search of freedom, because they are away from home for the first time.

"Freshmen don't have an appreciation for our (the Maryville community's) tolerance level," Wood said.

The average number of MIPs per month from January through July was approximately 7.4. These statistics were prior to the arrival of this year's freshmen. Seventeen MIPs were reported during August,

making it the highest number of MIPs recorded in a month in 1999.

Wood said he is a supporter of prevention. Local officers participate in prevention programs geared towards students in kindergarten through high school. In addition, officers are invited to speak at civic groups. At the college level, freshmen seminar instructors have invited officers to speak about alcohol abuse and its consequences.

"We would much rather be involved in the prevention aspect than the enforcement aspect," Wood said.

Public Safety takes a firm position against minors abusing alcohol, Wood said.

"We take a stringent approach towards minors, because we believe alcohol abuse speaks to the health and welfare of the community," Wood said.

An MIP is classified as a misdemeanor. One can expect a fee of at

least \$225 for the first offense. Those who abandon their container on the ground after noticing an officer can expect a charge of littering added to their ticket. This fee is usually around \$50.

Fees and having to confront parental figures are only the short-term consequences. The truth is that following an MIP, one has a police record. This is important to consider when trying to get a job after college. Those seeking a career in education will find that potential employers perform extensive background checks, Wood said.

Minors are also fair game to be carded on private property. Officers can enter private property if they have a probable cause, for example, a call on disturbance of the peace.

"It's our privilege to ask you for your ID to prove your age," Wood said.

Using fake identification is not

a way around getting an MIP either. Officers are trained to be able to identify them.

"Over the last two years the number of fake IDs we're seeing has increased," Wood said. "I contribute that to computer technology."

Using fake identification would be an addition to one's record and an additional fee.

Those over 21 are not exempt from alcohol violations. Driving while intoxicated is a serious offense, Wood said.

"Our departmental position on DWIs is zero - tolerance," Wood said. "Our position is that they are a very serious, hazardous act that can hurt a lot of innocent people."

Statistics through July show an increase in DWIs compared to last year's numbers. This year there were 59 compared to 42 last year.

Wood describes DWIs as "the gift that keeps on giving." One can expect eight hours in jail, posting

bond, fines, a lot of legal fees and a revoked driver's license. Along with it going on a person's record, chances of getting a job may be hurt and car insurance may increase for the next ten years.

To be legally intoxicated in Missouri, one would have to have a blood alcohol content of .10. Those under 21 fall under the zero-tolerance law, meaning they would only need a BAC of .02 to be charged with a DWI.

Whether it is sitting at a local pub drinking a beer and walking home afterwards or driving home drunk, there is always an opportunity for trouble.

"We find alcohol leads to other offenses," Wood said.

These offenses could be anything from disturbing the peace to sexual assault. While Wood said the number of sexual assaults in Maryville was low, he attributed a large percentage of them to alcohol abuse.

University grant helps area schools

By MARK HORNICKEL
MANAGING EDITOR

A grant from the U.S. Department of Education will help Northwest promote technology-based teaching in rural schools.

Northwest applied for and received the maximum amount for the grant of \$110,298. Max Ruhl, dean of college of education and human services, said the grant provides many opportunities for Northwest.

"It's exciting," Ruhl said. "We can really accomplish a lot in technology integration with this grant. We're really committed to making it a real success."

To fulfill the grant, two types of analyses will be conducted. One will consist of current technology available at the University. The second will be an analysis of the current technology at rural schools.

Then Northwest will conduct a

gap analysis to see where technological strengths and weaknesses are at the schools.

Based on the gap analysis, Northwest will be eligible to apply for up to four years of a larger implementation grant next year.

"We've anticipated working first with our professional development schools on the project and then in general with rural schools across the Northwest region," Ruhl said. "The focus of this grant program is on getting technology to the needy population, and in this case rural populations are the ones that they are seeking to serve."

Ruhl said Northwest will also work with an advisory team which will supervise the implementation of the grant. It also provides for a director and part-time secretarial staff to accomplish the first year's responsibilities of the grant.

"The uniqueness of this grant is that we seek to establish a base line of standards," said Phillip Messner,

associate professor of education leadership. "What should be the standards for this student when they get ready to teach? What should the standards be for the cooperative teacher that the students will work with?"

"What should be the standards for the University professor in the class rooms? What would be the standards of equipment that the University should have? And finally, what would be the standards for the cooperative school to have so that the student can successfully be able to apply the technology and knowledge they have. That's really the core of it."

From a national standpoint the grant will put Northwest at the forefront for rural technology, Messner said.

"This is the world," Messner said. "The schools transmit the culture of the world. It's critical that all of our graduates have this skill and this knowledge."

Homecoming schedule

Variety Show: Events will be in Mary Linn Performing Arts Center

Submit entries	Sept. 15	5 p.m.
Submit scripts	Sept. 15	5 p.m.
Chorus/ensemble tryouts	Sept. 27	5 a.m.
Skit tryouts	Sept. 28	5 p.m.
Musical	Oct. 6	5 p.m. CD only
Dress rehearsal	Oct. 11	4 p.m.
Dress rehearsal	Oct. 12	6 p.m.
Skit meeting	Oct. 12	10 p.m.
Variety Show	Oct. 13-15	7 p.m.

Parade: Events will be in Golden Hall 3200

Submit entries	Sept. 15	
Submit scripts	Sept. 15	
Chorus/ensemble	Oct. 6	6 p.m.
House decoration	Oct. 6	6:30 p.m.

Royalty:

Submit entries	Sept. 15	
Group photo	Sept. 15	Noon
Parade	Sept. 17	5 p.m.
Preliminary selection	Sept. 18	9 a.m.
Finalists announced	Sept. 22	7:30 p.m.
Finalist photo	Sept. 23	4:30 p.m.
Elections	Oct. 6-12	
Rehearsal	Oct. 12	6 p.m.
Closing	Oct. 13	7 p.m.
Parade	Oct. 16	9 a.m.

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■ Entries can be turned in to the Student Activities office in Thompson-Ringold or at committee meetings before Sept. 15.

■ Committee meeting dates: Sept. 15, 22, 29; Oct. 6, 12

■ Committees will meet at 7 p.m.; representatives at 7:30 p.m. in Golden Hall room 3200.

■ All entries will be final after deadline.

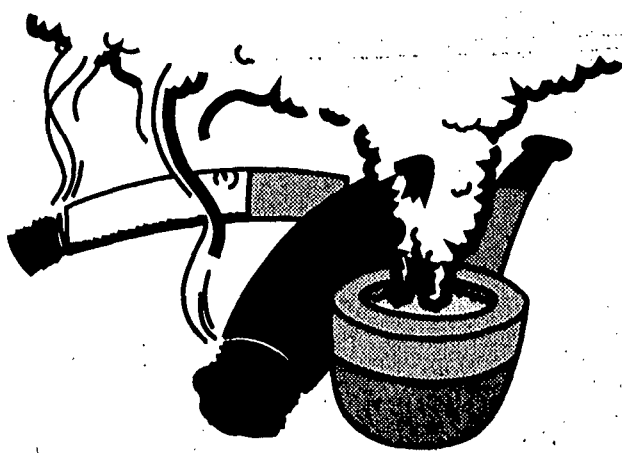
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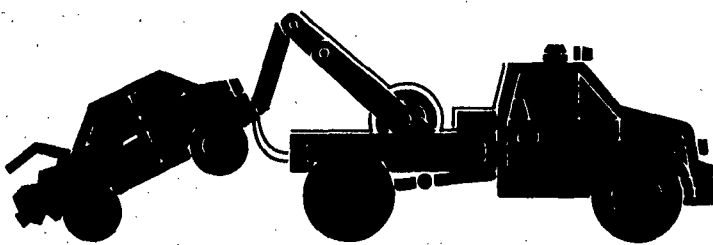
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Announcements

PUBLIC SAFETY

Monday, Aug. 30

■ Calder Young, Maryville, was parked on Fourth Street when his vehicle was struck by a driver who then left the scene.

Tuesday, Aug. 31

■ A Hopkins male reported that while his vehicle was parked in the 2000 block of East First Street it had been damaged. A liquid had been splattered on the hood, front fender and front bumper. The substance was believed to be paint remover.

■ An officer issued a summons to Todd M. Russo, 18, Maryville, for possession of drug paraphernalia after several items were found in his possession.

■ Dustin L. Simpson, Ravenwood, made a westbound turn from Main Street to First Street and struck Loren E. Underwood, Maryville, who was eastbound on First Street. A citation was issued to Simpson for careless and imprudent driving.

Wednesday, Sept. 1

■ A Maryville male reported that while his vehicle was parked in the 300 block of East Second Street, a liquid had been thrown on the vehicle, causing spots in the paint on the front bumper, driver's side door and rear panel. The substance was believed to be paint thinner.

■ A Maryville male reported his vehicle had been damaged. The damage consisted of a scratch mark starting at the center of the hood. The scratch went down the driver's side front fender and ended at the driver's side door.

■ A fire unit responded to a vehicle fire in the 200 block of South Charles Street. The fire had almost self-extinguished upon arrival of the unit. The cause was undetermined, but the origin was found to be around the carburetor. Little damage was done to the vehicle.

■ Jevon H. Farley, Maryville, was northbound on North Main Street, turning onto West Fourth Street. As he was turning, Norris W. Wilson pulled from a parking space and proceeded into the intersection. Both vehicles struck on the driver's sides. No citations were issued.

Thursday, Sept. 2

■ While investigating a complaint of a possible fight at a local establishment, officers made contact with two subjects. It was determined that they were 18 years of age. Summons for being in a bar while under the age of 19 were issued to Kevin L. Cantrell, 18, and Decius A. Sanders, 18, both of Maryville.

■ A Maryville male reported that while his vehicle was parked in the 200 block of West Thompson, the rear window was broken out.

■ Jimmie J. Potter, Maryville, and Sasha C. Small, Skidmore, were both northbound in the 600 block of South Main Street. Small slowed in traffic and was struck from behind by Potter. A citation was issued to Potter for careless and imprudent driving.

■ Fredia A. Duley was parked at 814 W. South Ave. when her vehicle was struck by a driver who then left the scene.

■ A pair of prescription glasses were found in the 500 block of West Prather Avenue and turned in to Public Safety.

■ Officers responded to the 100 block of East Fourth Street on a complaint of a fight. Upon investigation, summons for disorderly conduct were issued to Terry A. Tronein, 21, Maryville; Jeffery S. Lyle, 28, Maryville; and Gerold L. Brown Jr., 30, Skidmore.

Friday, Sept. 3

■ A Maryville male and a Maryville female reported that while their vehicles were parked in the 300 block of South Filmore Street, they were damaged. The male's vehicle appeared to have been shot at with a BB gun, damaging the windshield. The female's vehicle had the same type of damage to the windshield.

■ Two Maryville females reported that while they were walking in the 400 block of South Mulberry Street, they observed a nude male subject walking toward them from a yard. When they observed the subject, they were startled and left the area.

Saturday, Sept. 4

■ Officers were on patrol in the 400 block of North Main Street when they observed two male subjects fighting. The officers stopped and attempted to make contact with the subjects; one of the subjects took off running. An officer advised the subject to stop, but he continued.

thrued. The subject was stopped by the other officer. The subject was identified as David L. Dye, 21, Graham, and was arrested for at-fault and resisting arrest by flight. The other subject, Colby J. Cartney, 23, Maryville, was issued a summons for at-fault.

■ A bicycle was recovered from the 400 block of North Walnut Street.

■ A Maryville female reported her bicycle had been taken from her residence. It was described as a 26-inch NEXT brand Ultra Terrain Shock model, purple and black in color, female style with a purple cased chain wrapped around the crossbar. It also had a black water bottle and saddle bag behind the seat. Loss valued at \$105.

■ An officer arrested Bruce A. Blackford, 32, Maryville, for domestic assault, larceny, trespassing and tampering following an incident in the 300 block of Summit Drive.

Sunday, Sept. 5

■ A Maryville male reported the theft of a green molded plastic Andronde chair with a high back from his front porch. Loss valued at \$20.

■ A Maryville female reported that her boat had been damaged while moored at Mozingo Lake. The damage consisted of a broken windshield (the center portion of the windshield).

■ A bicycle was recovered from the 800 block of South Walnut Street.

Monday, Sept. 6

■ Brian J. Lindaman, Lawrence, Kan., was south bound on Depot Street. He stopped at a posted stop sign and proceeded into the First and Depot intersection and was struck by Phillip M. Maher, King City, who was west-bound on First Street.

Wednesday, Sept. 8

■ An officer observed a vehicle turning around in the 500 block of West Seventh Street. He stopped the vehicle and the driver was identified as Jennifer C. Chipman, 22, Maryville, and while talking with her an odor of intoxicants was detected. She was asked to perform field sobriety tests which she could not complete successfully and was arrested for driving while intoxicated after her blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. She was also issued a citation for improper U-turn.

CAMPUS SAFETY

Thursday, Sept. 2

■ Officers investigated an accident in the lower parking lot behind Hudson Hall. A University citation was issued for improper backing.

Friday, Sept. 3

■ A student reported he/she had lost a parking permit while on campus.

Sunday, Sept. 5

■ Officers investigated a vandalism report.

Monday, Sept. 6

■ Officers responded to Dieterich Hall in reference to a medical emergency. The Nodaway County Ambulance Service was contacted and transported the individual to St. Francis Hospital for further evaluation.

■ Officers investigated a fire alarm activated in Phillips Hall. The alarm was unfounded.

■ Officers investigated an accident in the parking lot behind the Fine Arts Building. A University citation was issued for improper backing.

OBITUARIES

William J. "Bill" Patton

William J. Patton, 61, Ravenwood, died Sept. 1 at his home.

He was born June 25, 1938, to Thomas and Catherine Patton in Amity.

Survivors include his wife, Monica; his mother; three sons, William, Jeffrey and Mark; four daughters, Diane Wiederholt, Lori Haskell, Debra Hoffman and Amy Patton; two sisters; and several grandchildren.

Services were Sept. 2 at St. Joseph Parish Church in Parnell. Burial was at St. Patrick's Cemetery, Maryville.

Julie Catherine Price

Julie Catherine Price, 88, Maryville, died Sept. 3 at the Maryville Health Care Center.

She was born Feb. 15, 1911, to George and Rosetta Aley in Maryville.

Survivors include two sons Doug and John and four grandchildren.

Services were Tuesday at the Price Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was at the Oak Hill Cemetery.

Treva Irene Mathes

Treva Irene Mathes, 84, Maryville, died Sept. 8 at the Maryville Health Care Center.

She was born Dec. 12, 1914, to Calvin and Nettie Mathes in the Buchanan Township, Iowa.

Survivors include her son Dale; three grandchildren, Scott, Calvin and Holly Wilmes; three great-grandchildren, Ethan and Heath and Alec Wilmes; and two brothers Leroy and Harry.

Services were at the Price Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was at the Summit Cemetery in Yorktown, Iowa.

Donna Jean Dougan

Donna Jean Dougan, 58, Barnard, died Sept. 5 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She was born March 23, 1941, to Everett and Emogene Cruth in Lyons, Kan.

Survivors include her husband Gary; a son, Robert; mother; brother, Larry; a niece, Amber; and nephew Matt.

Services were at the Price Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was at the Nodaway Memorial Garden in Maryville.



MIKE RANDELL/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

'Oh, my God, it's scary!'

Mindy Chesnut, accounting major, soars above the Northwest Tundra with help from a trampoline contraption at the Northwest carnival on Wednesday. Chesnut said she enjoyed the ride, but it was a bit frightening.

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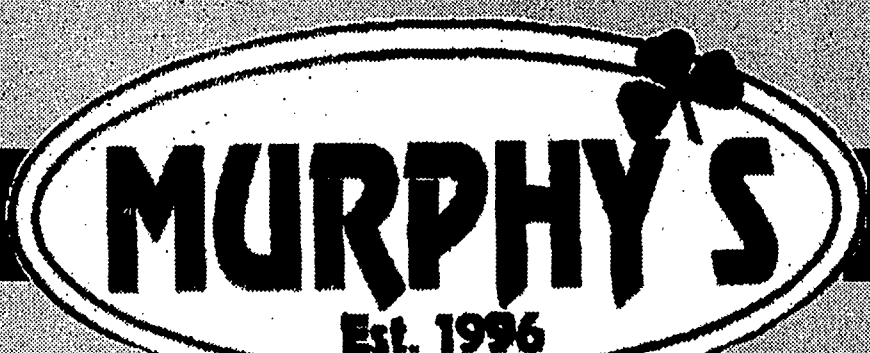
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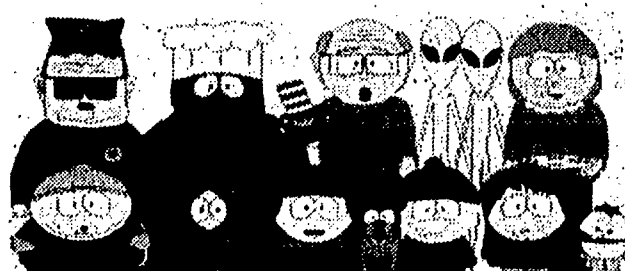
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"We've had so many tours lately since the Abbey basilica got done and people come by the busloads, busloads and busloads. Sometimes there's hundreds of people that come."

SISTER JEAN FRANCIS

SPEAKING OF THE NUMBER OF VISITORS TO THE BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF PERPETUAL ADORATION CONVENT IN CLYDE



Convent celebrates 125 years of service

By MARK HORNICKEL
MANAGING EDITOR

History was celebrated last weekend as a nearby convent marked an important anniversary.

The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration at Clyde commemorated their 125th anniversary Sunday with a celebration and open house.

The Benedictine Sisters came to Nodaway County from Switzerland in 1874 and established the convent after a request for assistance in ministering from the Benedictine Fathers of Conception Abbey.

Construction on the chapel of Perpetual Adoration began in 1900 and was dedicated in 1911. Schools were established and the community flourished and is now a congregation of about 200 members with interdependent monasteries throughout the country.

Artifacts display rich history

The Relic Chapel, a secondary chapel constructed in 1927, houses an awesome collection of relics from the Sisters' history including letters postmarked from all over the world, artifacts from the Sisters' farm and samples from the printing and altar bread making.

Also on display in the chapel is the skeletal remains of St. Beatrice, a 13-year-old martyr from the early Christian centuries in Rome. Her remains were taken from the catacombs of St. Pontianus and given to the convent in 1911.

The body is clothed in blue and white silk, and the hands and feet are encased in silver knit gloves and sandals through which the bones are visible. Also a waxen head shows a wound on the saint's neck to indicate the executioner's sword stroke.

Yet, a small room at the front of the chapel is the display area for some of the most eye-catching pieces of the Sisters' history.

The room is full of colorful hand-stitched vestments and banners. Some were made almost 150 years ago and traveled to the convent from Europe.

There are large drawers full of the vestments, but without talking to someone like Sister Jean Francis one may never know the significant history of the relics.

The vestments, which were the convent's main source of income at one time, required thousands of stitches and years to make, Francis said.

"They were all exquisite embroiders," Francis said. "It's fantastic. I don't know how they ever did it. It was quite a skill."

The Sisters twisted their own gold thread to make the correct thickness for an outliner, and a small strip for a vesper piece might have taken months to make.

"They had what they called a day book where they wrote what went on during the day, and they'll say so-and-so is asking for a set of vestments and they want it by the end of this month and they would all work furiously on one thing," Francis said.

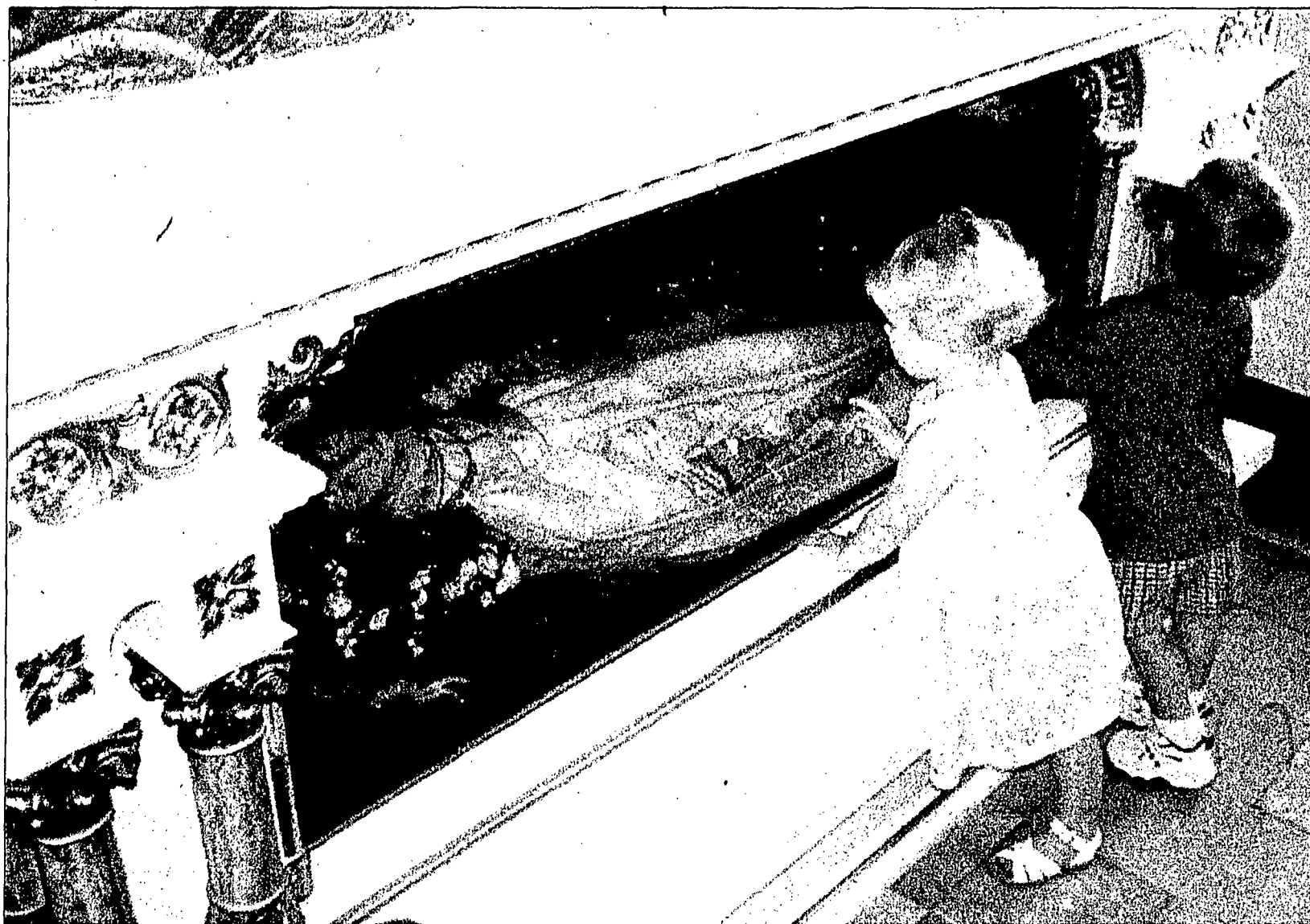
However, many of the sisters had other duties, such as working at the convent's farm and taking care of the orphans, so they could not work on the vestments until late at night.

"Like when the harvest was coming in, we'd often be up until one or two at night working on the harvest," Francis said. "Like when the corn was coming in we'd be sitting down the road toward the barn, and they would come in with a truckload of corn and dump it with the dump truck — mountains. And we'd sit there on benches all around the bottom, chugging corn until two in the morning."

By the time Francis arrived at the convent in the



MIKE RANDELL/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Flowers adorn this crucifix, which was one of many artifacts displayed in the convent's Relic Chapel.



Twins Joseph and Annie Madden, 2, take a moment to look at the skeletal remains of St. Beatrice, a 13-year-old martyr from the early Christian centuries in Rome. The body is clothed in silk, and the hands and feet are encased in silver knit gloves, through which the bones are visible.

1950s, the handwork and embroidering was rapidly being replaced by inventions such as the sewing machine and other machinery.

It was about a decade later when the last sister who could do the handwork, Collette, passed away. She was sitting in her bed, working on one of the pieces.

Today, the Sisters still have a stitching room in Tucson where the machinery is kept. There, the sisters have a large department for making vestments.

Artwork extends beyond Relic Chapel

Some parts of the convent are reaching the century mark, and with walls 2 to 3 feet thick, there is hardly a crack in the building, Francis said. The structure, which is not air-conditioned, also has high ceilings which serve as a heating and cooling system.

"That was knowledge and skill that people had in the old days," Francis said. "That was the way people were when they built. You built to last, and you built so that it would have its own kind of heating and cooling control."

The interior of the Romanesque chapel is decorated in a Beuronese art-style, with magnificent stencil work and mosaics.

Mosaics are formed by inlaying small pieces of glass, stone and other material, and imbedding them into cement. In addition, they resist the test of time. Rather, they are washed with baking soda water about every 20 years and do not lose their color.

Perhaps the most breath-taking feature is a mosaic behind the altar which measures 25-feet high and 24-feet wide. It was the largest single mosaic in the United States during one time, but has since been outdone by artwork in the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. and the St. Louis Cathedral.

The work depicts Christ as the Eternal High Priest, standing on a globe. Meanwhile, symbolic figures representing Evangelists appear at the head and feet of Christ. Various saints are also pictured at his feet.

Among other features in the chapel are beautiful stained-glass windows, intricately hand-carved, golden oak choir stalls and artistically-carved, pearl granite pillars.



MIKE RANDELL/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Conception Abbey students John Phan and John Hay kneel to get a closer look at vestments inside the Relic Chapel of

the convent at Clyde. Some of the hand-stitched relics were made almost 150 years ago.

Chapel serves as meeting place

Many people have traveled to the convent throughout its history and often become curious about the sisters' way of life.

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SPOOFHOUNDS VS. PIRATES

On the lookout

'Hounds victorious in first game

By BLAKE DREHLE
COMMUNITY SPORTS EDITOR

Friday will be the second game of the season for the Maryville football team, but teams in the Midland Empire Conference are ready to dethrone the defending champions.

The Spoofhounds do not expect things to get easier, after winning their first game against Smithville last Friday, with a tough, physical matchup against conference rival, the Platte County Pirates, at 7 p.m. Friday in Platte City.

Head football coach Chuck Lliteras said this will be a hard hitting game with plenty of action to please the fans.

"They got a great team and we look for it to be a great game because they have a real agile running back," Lliteras said.

Platte County will be coming into this game wanting to avenge the loss they endured from the 'Hounds last year, said Chip Sherman, Pirate head football coach.

"Each game is very important to our football team this early in the season and with all that is at stake," Sherman said. "We are going to mix things up and try to win this game, because the schedule will not get any easier for us in the next couple of weeks."

The 'Hounds were successful defending the MEC title with a 41-14 home victory over the Warriors to start out the year.

Nerves were evident for the 'Hounds in the first quarter when senior quarterback Pat Jordan was unable to complete an option, leading to a turnover recovered by Smithville on Maryville's 17-yard line. Smithville capitalized on the 'Hounds' turnover four plays later when junior fullback Jake Granatino scored on a 2-yard touchdown run.

Things looked to self district for the 'Hounds on the next possession when senior fullback Jason Cracraft was stripped of the ball in Maryville territory. However, the Spoofhound defense stepped up and stopped the Warriors from scoring, which was a significant factor because sophomore linebacker Tommy Bailey blocked the punt attempt.

The blocked punt inspired Bailey to make another huge play in the second quarter, sacking Smithville senior quarterback Matt Evens and forcing a fumble that was recovered by the 'Hounds on the Warriors 16-yard line.

On the next play, Jordan, who finished the night 7 for 17 with 48 yards passing, one touchdown and one interception, connected with senior running back Heath Reynolds for a 16-yard touchdown pass to tie the game at seven apiece with 8 minutes and 15 seconds left in the first half. The extra point was good.

With the score tied at halftime, adjustments were made, and the results were positive for the 'Hounds as they came out completely confident in wanting to win the game.

"The first half we didn't play very well," Lliteras said. "Smithville came out in a 5-3 defense just like Chillicothe came out in last year when they beat us. We made the necessary adjustments at halftime and capitalized on them in the second half."

After receiving the ball to start the second half, the 'Hounds went to work by pounding the ball inside, running traps with senior split end Zane Schulte. Schulte got the ball moving on his first carry with a run of over 50 yards.

Two plays after the run, Jordan scored on a six-yard touchdown run. Maryville sophomore quarterback Trent Twaddel was successful on the two-point conversion.

On the ensuing kickoff, sophomore Smithville returner Travis Lizar

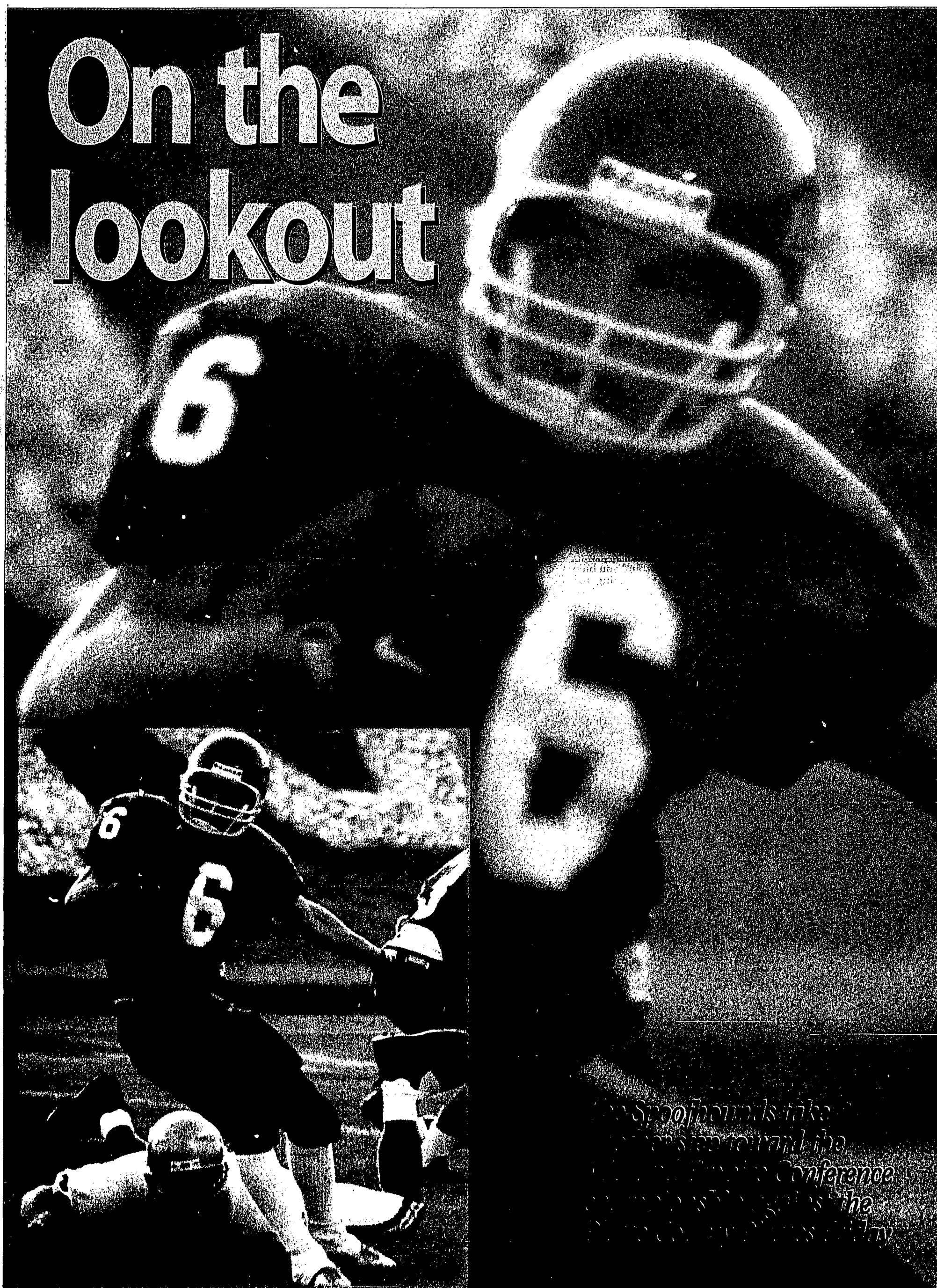


PHOTO BY JOHN PETROVIC/ASSISTANT PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY MIKE RANDELL/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR AND ERICA SMITH/DESIGN DIRECTOR
Senior split end Zane Schulte moves to miss a defender's tackle during the Spoofhounds 41-14 win against the Smithville Dragons Friday. Schulte had 183 yards rushing on five carries when two touchdowns. His longest run of the night 62 yards. The 'Hounds face off against the Platte County Pirates tomorrow at 7 p.m. at Platte County.

THE TEAMS

Take a look at who's on the field when the Spoofhounds and Platte County Pirates face-off Friday night.

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THE BEARCATS

After a heart-breaking loss to the University of Nebraska-Omaha, the 'Cats have a week off to recuperate ... and prepare for rival Pittsburg State.

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MARYVILLE OFFENSE

MARYVILLE DEFENSE

MARYVILLE

1 Paul Otte
2 Pat Jordan
3 Justin DeShon
6 Zane Schulte
24 Kyle Lager
33 Jason Cracraft
42 Joey Wilmes

44 Heath Reynolds
55 Brent Devers
56 Tommy Bailey
62 Chad Townsend
64 Jonathan Akins
74 Eric Goudge

PLATTE COUNTY

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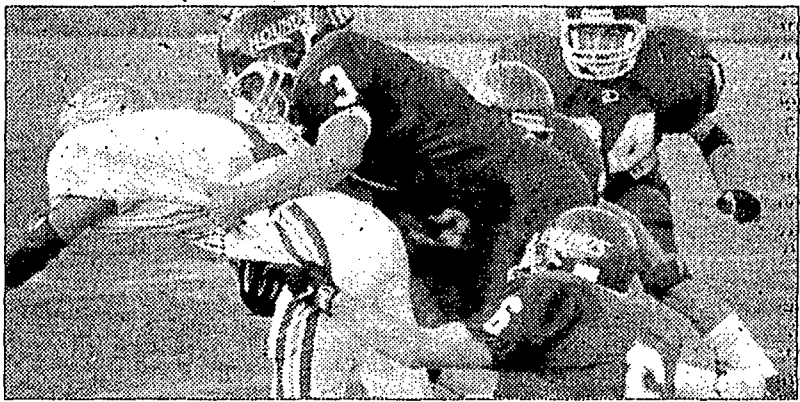
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boggled the ball and the turnover was recovered by Cracraft. Cracraft took advantage of recovering the turnover when he rumbled into the end zone for a 22-yard touchdown run with 9:53 left in the game. The extra point was good. Schulte made an impact on the Smithville defense when he cruised all over the field on two separate occasions for 62- and 60-yard touchdown runs, respectively with 32 seconds in the third quar-

ter and 10:28 in the fourth respectively. He was the leading rusher for the 'Hounds with 183 yards on five carries; Jordan was second on the team with 48 yards. "We played pretty well being that this was our first game of the year," Schulte said. "It was a rocky start, but we got critiqued by the coaches on what we needed to do better. The runs really pumped the team up in wanting to put this game away."

Miscommunication between coaches and players proved costly in the fourth quarter with confusion between who should be on the field playing lead to Smithville's final touchdown with 4:16 left in the game. "This is a young football team with problems that need to be worked out," Lliteras said. "We were trying to get the junior varsity some playing time, and because of miscommunication with the starters and JV, Smithville ran

a play that set them up for a touchdown." The 'Hounds answered the Warrior touchdown when Jordan ran for a 22-yard touchdown with 1:09 left in the game. By doing so Jordan scored the 'Hounds' last touchdown of the night. "I know that scoring the last touchdown would cause tensions with Coach Vickers, but I wanted to make sure we had the right players on the field and they could score quickly," Lliteras said.



Seniors Justin Deshon (3) and Zane Schulte (6) take down a Smithville player as he attempts to catch an overthrown ball Friday night.

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Spikers split tourney, 2-2

Bearcats look ahead to MIAA competition, team improvement

By DALLAS ACKERMAN
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Northwest's early season tournament last weekend took them to Huntsville, Ala., to compete in a four team, round-robin event.

Things got off to a rocky start for the 'Cats on Friday as they dropped their opening two matches. In the afternoon, Northwest fell to Arkansas Tech University in four sets (13-15, 12-15, 15-2, 10-15).

Senior Lindsay Heck led the way in the opener, nailing 14 kills. In Friday evening's match, Northwest again dropped a four-set match (12-15, 15-10, 15-6, 15-7).

Sophomore Megan Danek continued to impress by registering 38 assists in the match against the University of Alabama-Huntsville. Junior Abby Sunderman, nursing an injured hand, still managed to score 17 kills.

On Saturday, Northwest made Friday's dismal performance a distant memory as they steamrolled their way past the final two opponents of the weekend.

First, the 'Cats blew out the University of Montevallo in an impressive three straight sets (15-3, 15-1, 15-3). The women were equally as impressive in their dispatching of State University of West Georgia in three games (15-1, 15-9, 15-3).

Junior Jill Quast led the way against Montevallo with 15 kills, while Danek added 39 more assists. Danek also contributed 29 assists in the final game against West Georgia.

Northwest head coach Sarah Pelster has an easy answer as to why her team struggled in Friday's opening matches.

"We left Maryville at 3 a.m. Thursday morning to catch a 6 a.m. flight," Pelster said. "It really showed in those

"We've really taken steps forward lately. It will be interesting to see just how good we really are once we get to play these tough conference teams."

LINDSAY HECK
BEARCAT SENIOR MIDDLE HITTER

two matches Friday, we really looked fatigued."

Pelster's team now must focus on the tough MIAA conference schedule ahead. Heck said she has a good feeling about the team coming into conference play.

"We've really taken steps forward lately," she said. "It will be interesting to see just how good we really are once we get to play these tough conference teams."

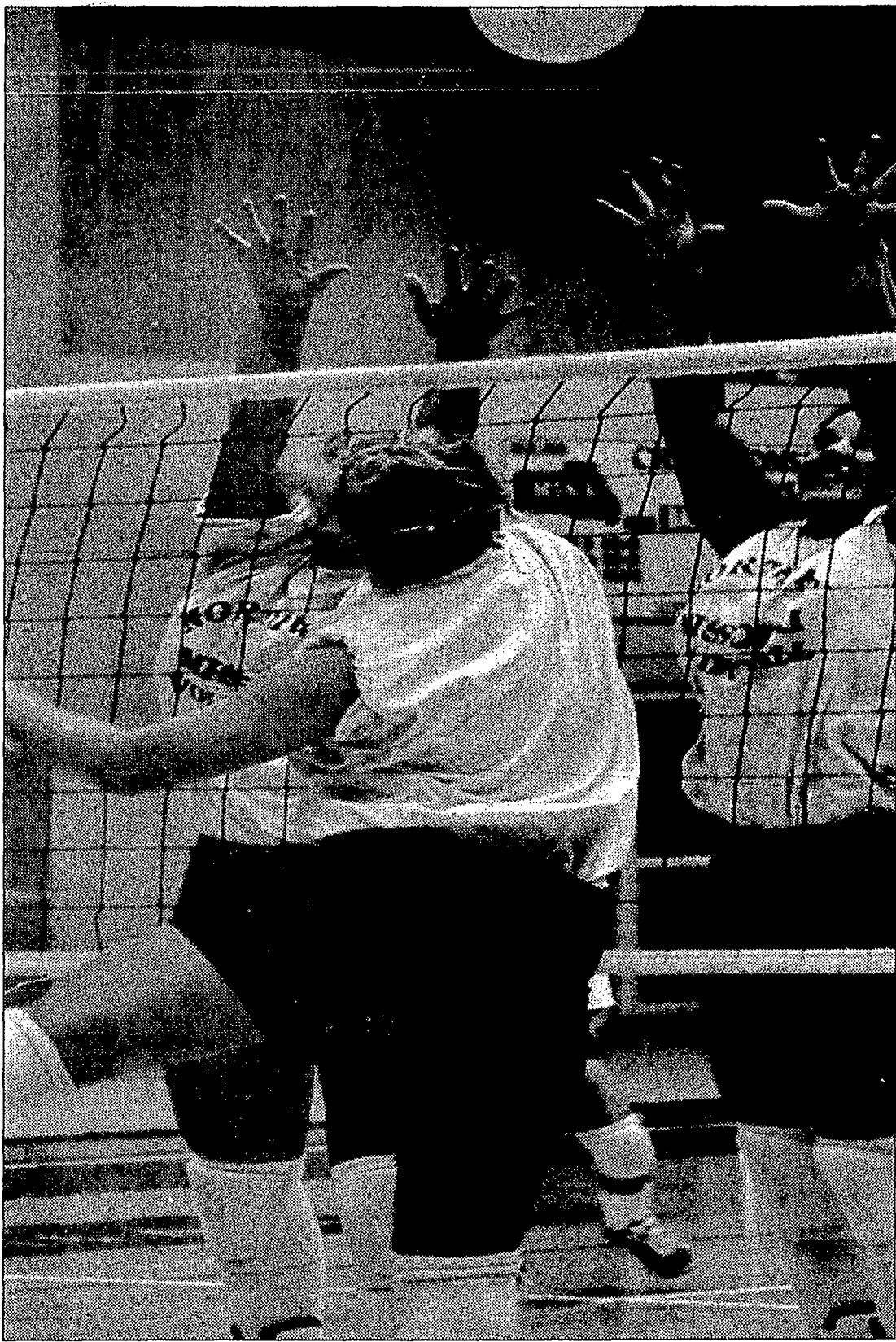
Northwest currently stands 4-4 overall and will continue conference play this weekend with a Friday match against Pittsburg State University.

The Bearcats will head to Joplin for a Saturday match with Missouri Southern State College. While in Joplin, the 'Cats will also get in a non-conference match with Henderson State University.

Northwest has not yet played a game at home this season. After this weekend, the 'Cats will travel to Truman State University and then to Emporia State University before playing Central Missouri State University in Bearcat Arena Sept. 24.

"We match well against Emporia," Pelster said. "The key to our success is taking care of the ball."

The Bearcats played at Emporia Wednesday night, but results were not available at press time.



Lindsay Heck, right, goes up for a block against her teammates during practice Tuesday evening. The team's next match is Friday at Pittsburg State University, followed by a game at Missouri Southern State College Saturday.

'Hounds dropped by Eagles

Extra inning loss adds experience for Benton Thursday at Beal Park

By JUSTIN MCALEER
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Spoofhound softball team dropped their third game in an extra-inning loss to Jefferson on Tuesday. The loss has prepared the 'Hounds for their next challenge of the season.

Maryville faces Benton for the first time at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday at Beal Park. The home game is just the second for the 'Hounds this season.

Benton, who is undefeated, is the only team to knock off Jefferson. Their 10-inning battle ended with the Cardinals coming out on top.

"It was a disappointing loss. We just couldn't pull it out in the end," sophomore shortstop Hailey Lawyer said. "We're still confident about beating Benton. We just need to play like we have been all year."

Going into the Jefferson game, Maryville knew they would have their hands full. The 'Hounds responded, taking the Eagles to eight innings before allowing the go ahead run to score in the bottom half of the inning.

"Nobody gave us a chance, but we could have won the game," head coach Kathy Blackney said. "Benton is just as tough. They have girls who played on traveling teams last summer at all nine positions. They have a full team, we have half. We have to make the plays and get that out."

Defense and pitching have been the backbone for Maryville. The 'Hounds have improved on their hitting which was demonstrated in a 9-4 win over Lafayette last Thursday.

Senior pitcher Lindsey Hill is Thursday's probable starter. Hill threw a three hitter last time out against Lafayette with ten strikeouts. Sophomore pitcher Lindsay Stiens gave up only four hits through eight innings in the loss to Jefferson.

Spikers' game canceled

"The team must be scrappy and not let the ball hit the floor."

JENNIFER EASTON
SPOOFHOUND SENIOR HITTER

By KEN GARNER
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

After winning the Fairfax tournament over Labor Day weekend for the second time in the last three years, the 'Hounds volleyball team anticipated a tight match with Van Horn on Tuesday.

What they received, however, was a cancellation due to "logistical problems."

Coach Gregg Winslow said Van Horn may not have actually wanted to play the 'Hounds, which could be the reason for the "logistical problems," of being unable to arrange suitable transportation, especially after Maryville's showing during the Fairfax tournament.

Winslow hopes that these games will not be permanently cancelled for the season, but is unsure if the matches can be made up without causing scheduling conflicts.

"We would really like to play Van Horn since they are one of the Kansas City schools we added to bolster our schedule," Winslow said. "The team was really looking forward to it."

The 'Hounds had three players named to the Fairfax All-Tournament team. Senior hitter Jennifer Easton, junior hitter Dana Lade and senior setter Andrea Tappmeyer all earned the honor. Easton said the keys to winning the tournament were two-fold.

"We wanted to win, and also to see what kind of team that we have," she said.

Winslow said the Van Horn cancellation will not affect the team's mental preparation for its upcoming match against Platte County.

Easton was a little disappointed that Tuesday's match was cancelled.

"We were ready to play them, but we are now focused to play Platte County," she said.

Northwest records 1st victory in school history

By MATT SEVART
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The women's soccer team turned things around after their loss to Truman State University, defeating Avila College 4-0 Saturday at home.

The 'Cats were led in their first victory by freshman midfielder Reba Kerthanke, who scored three of the four goals.

The Bearcats worked hard against Avila's aggressive team, and gave the offense a chance to work with the ball.

"The girls were hustling and playing very tough on the ball," head coach Joann Wolf said. "Avila is a physical team, but we matched them. We moved the ball very well from the back to the front, and we weren't booming the ball like we were previously against Truman State. We were much more composed on the field

than we were against Truman and it showed."

Kerthanke, believes improvement in team work against the Eagles contributed to the 'Cats' triumph.

"We were more team oriented, more positive on the field," Kerthanke said. "Even at 0-0 we were positive. We worked better as a team than we did against Truman. We switched sweepers and she (Jennifer Gnefkow) kept the ball up field for the offense."

Wolf was pleased with the hustle and rebound goals by the offense.

"Two out of four goals were follow up goals," Wolf said. "They were in the right place at the right time. We have to move as a unit and they did that real well."

The 'Cats game against Missouri Valley State College Sunday was canceled.

Harriers begin year at Clarinda

By JUSTIN BUSH
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The gun has fired and the Maryville High School cross country season has begun. The Spoofhounds began the year Tuesday afternoon at the Clarinda Invitational in Iowa.

Head coach Ron Eckerson is optimistic about how his team will react to the schedule this year.

"I feel that they ran pretty good for the first meet of the year," Eckerson said. "Next week's course at the Red Oak Invitational meet has a lot more hills in the course. So we will work on that this week in practice."

Leading the way for the 'Hounds was junior Justin Nickerson, who was the top finisher for the boys team placing 46th, out of 76 runners.

"It was a fairly flat course and a good one to start the year off with," Nickerson said. "I lifted a lot this summer and ran almost every day. Last year I almost qualified for state and I want to make it there this year."

Junior Heather Robertson was positive about her placing, helping the girls team finish 23rd overall.

"I ran hard, and next time I'm going to try and push myself even harder in the middle of the race," she said.

As an added twist to this years meet, changes were added to the course, to make things a little bit different than last year.

"The course was a little harder this year because it seemed to have a few more hills, junior varsity runner Kristen Swinford said. "There was a hill that you had to go up shortly after you start the race, that made it a little more challenging and a lot better course."

Running is a challenge for the mind as well as the body for harriers like, junior's Jennifer Heller and Travis Turner.

"We've worked on the physical part of running, but we need to focus on the mental aspect as well," Heller said. "It gets hard on the long stretches and the races get longer after this meet."

Clarinda Invitational results

Girls' results

23. Heather Robertson

29. Jennifer Heller

31. Kristin Swinford

44. Melissa Myers

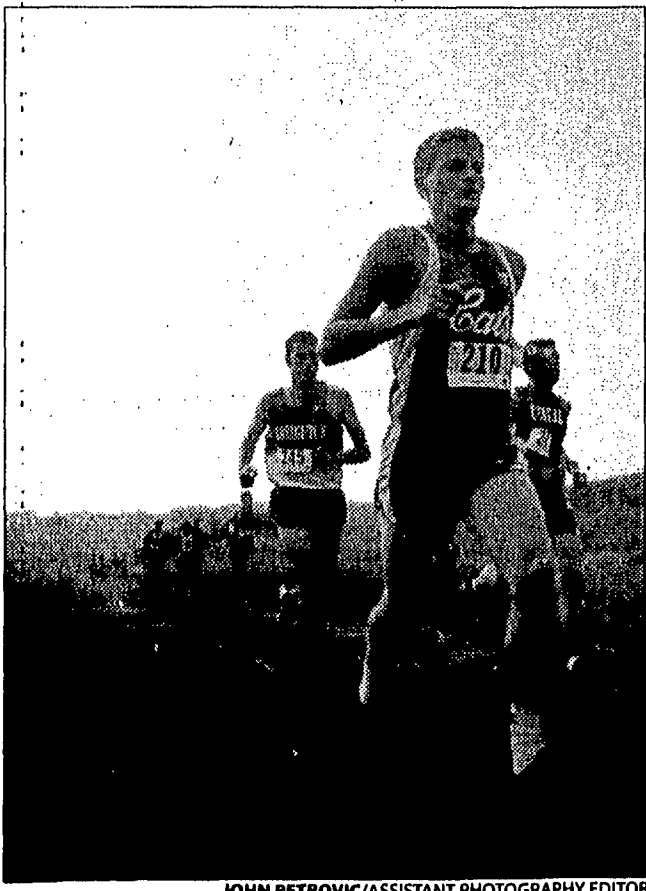
51. Abby Johnson

57. Amy Johnson

68. Adam Messner

70. Adam Messner

'Cats cross country take to Iowa State Classic



John Petrovic/Assistant Photography Editor
Freshman Eric Koehler runs in the Bearcat Distance Classic last Sunday at Moxingo as the men beat out Division I teams from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and Creighton University.

Men's team wins Bearcat Classic, women place 3rd

By WENDY BROKER
UNIVERSITY SPORTS EDITOR

The men's and women's cross country teams took the first step toward a top notch season Saturday at the Bearcat Distance Classic, their lone home meet of the season.

The teams will make their next big strides toward conference titles at the Iowa State Open where they will again take on Division I competition.

Rich Alsup, men's head coach, said there will probably be three or four Division I schools as well as eight or nine smaller schools at the Iowa State meet.

"There will be several more teams than at our meet and it will be even more competitive," Alsup said. "It is a tough course but the men are excited for it. I feel good about this team. They just continue to want to do better."

The men go into the meet after topping Division I teams from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and Creighton University last Saturday.

Upperclassmen and freshmen contributed to the winning effort. Sophomore Bryce Good led the men performance-wise, winning the men's race.

Freshman John Heil, who ran his first collegiate race for Northwest Saturday and finished seventh overall, said he was impressed with the team's performance and is looking to future meets.

Going the distance

Northwest results from the Bearcat Distance Classic

Men's results

1. Bryce Good (So) 20:26

3. Mike Ostreko (Jr) 20:39

6. Matt DiPreto (Sr) 20:57

7. John Heil (Fr) 21:05

12. Brad Chelley (Fr) 21:24

15. Kyle Keraus (Fr) 21:38

18. Bryan Thornburg (Sr) 22:11

Women's results

6. Becca Glassel (Sr) 16:20

11. Gina Gelatti (So) 16:47

12. Megan Carlson (Jr) 16:48

14. Sarah Handrup (Jr) 16:55

17. Heidi Baker (Fr) 17:02

20. Jill Robinson (So) 17:17

26. Jaclyn Baker (Fr) 18:22

"I think we did pretty good — it went better than I thought it was going to go," Heil said. "I didn't like the course, but the team did good. I think this team can do a lot if we stay healthy through the long haul before the big stuff starts."

As the season progresses, the men will not only face tougher competition, but harder practices and the task of avoiding injuries, Alsup said.

"We will ease into tougher workouts this week to prepare for Iowa State and hopefully not injure anyone

in the process," he said.

The Northwest women will also face off against a wide variety of competition at the Iowa State Classic, possibly including Division I Creighton who the 'Cats competed against Saturday.

The women know there are things they must do in order to be successful and competitive.

"We need to stay healthy," said Vicki Wootton, women's head coach. "We will be doing a lot of speed work and trying to increase our strength. The course at Iowa State is good and smooth. It will be good on our legs. Creighton may be there and that will be one of our goals in addition to getting healthy and improving our first-mile times."

The Bearcat's top five at the Bearcat Distance Classic, led by senior Becca Glassel, were only separated by 42 seconds, much less than the original team goal. The top six Bearcats finished in the top 20, a key feat for the team.

"We were packed good today," junior Sarah Handrup said. "It's good that we can stay together as a team — that's what we've been working on in practice. The freshmen ran well. Taking third at our first meet — we did good. Iowa State is next for us and it's a good meet, I feel this was just a warm up for that."

The Bearcat women finished third behind Division I Nebraska-Lincoln and Creighton.

Sports

"We are still moving people around and finding out where to place players. We are still learning as a team how to play our matches."

MARYVILLE TENNIS COACH P.K. KROKSTROM

Tennis team stands 0-2, looks for win

By BLAKE DREHLE
COMMUNITY SPORTS EDITOR

Things were not supposed to start this way, but the Maryville girls' tennis team has started the same way it did last year, dropping the first two matches.

Even though the team got off on the wrong foot, the 'Hounds will get their first shot at winning this year when they play the Benton Cardinals at 4 p.m. Monday in St. Joseph.

"Things went with ease in the match and I feel that if we play as strong as we did we can win."

EMILY JACKSON
SENIOR SPOOFHOUND NETTER

The team is capable of turning things around with the right attitude and passion for the game, head coach P.K. Krokstrom said.

"We are still moving people around and finding out where to place players," Krokstrom said. "We are still learning as a team how to play out matches."

Having players who participated on last year's squad will help the team become more experienced and motivated as the season grows, Krokstrom said.

The 'Hounds faced one of the toughest teams in the Midland Empire Conference on Tuesday, losing to the Savannah Savages, 8-1.

The day started out rough and did not get much better for the 'Hounds in singles play as all players lost their matches.

No. 1 singles player senior Deserae Allen lost her first match of the year in a 8-0 decision. No. 2 senior Emily Jackson and No. 3 junior Abby Howell did not have any better luck in their matches, both dropping an 8-1 decision.

The closest singles match of the day went to the next two spots at No. 4 and No. 5 with senior Malinda Allen and junior Carrie Grahl losing an 8-2 decision.

The final singles loss went to No. 6 junior Holly Wilmes who dropped an 8-0 decision.

In doubles action, the Allen twins, Grahl and Wilmes were defeated 8-0 each in the No. 1 and No. 3 spots.

The highlight of the day was when the No. 2 doubles of Jackson and Howell won their match 8-6.

After the match Jackson said the win was fun and inspiring for herself and her teammates.

Lady linksters continue early winning streak



JASON MYERS/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER

Spoofhound co-captain Jodi Throckmorton chips onto the 11th hole green at Tuesday's match against Savannah. The 'Hounds were 3-0 for the season going into their fourth match against St. Joseph Central Thursday afternoon.

By BLAKE DREHLE
COMMUNITY SPORTS EDITOR

The first victim was a state qualifier, the second was a strong road victory and the last win for the Maryville High School girls' golf team is a confidence boost for what looms ahead on the schedule this week.

After defeating Tarkio, Lafayette and Savannah to start the season 3-0, the Spoofhounds will take to the road at 4 p.m. Thursday against the Central Cardinals in St. Joseph in what may be the hardest challenge of the year according to head coach Pat Turner.

"Central is a very competitive team, and with this being an away match we will see how good we are," Turner said.

The momentum of starting the season undefeated will favor the team, sophomore Erin McLaughlin said.

"During practice we will spend time on the range on chipping and putting to better prepare ourselves for the match against Central," McLaughlin said. "We are really excited about where we are at right now, and I think things will only get better."

The latest victory for the 'Hounds came Tuesday during windy conditions at Mozingo Lake when they defeated the Savannah Savages 222-229. McLaughlin was the medalist of the meet with a 49.

The windy weather enabled the 'Hounds to play a tough opponent and encounter different elements that can play a vital role in matches, McLaughlin said.

"At times it interrupted a player when she was trying to hit a long drive, but other than that there was no real problems with the wind," she said.

'Hounds struggle to find 1st win

By JUSTIN BUSH
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Though they are young, inexperienced and struggling to find their first win of the season, the Maryville High School boys' soccer team is showing improvement through determination and the willingness to learn.

"Even though they were defeated by the Benton Cardinals 8-3 on Tuesday they have increased the intensity since last week's losses against Kearney and Winnetonka in the Liberty Tournament," head coach Tom Adams said.

Sophomore Chad Hannigan, who was the first player to score a goal for the Spoofhounds, was involved in the scoring in Tuesday's match along with sophomore Even Cleophil and sophomore Josh Simpson.

"I was much more pleased with their performance Tuesday," Adams said. "They spread out, passed the ball around and were able to score goals. That gave them more of a competitive chance."

In just a few days the 'Hounds offense showed signs of improvement. Against Benton they had a total of 12 shots on goal compared to just five in the two games of the Liberty Tournament last week.

"The defense stepped up the intensity level as well allowing fewer shots on goal," Adams said.

Though they have struggled with scoring Adams seems to have complete faith in the teachings of his assistant coach.

"Travis Rasmussen is doing an outstanding job," he said. "So this week he has been working with them on circuit training this week because soccer is demanding. It's a game of sprints; there isn't a lot of standing around."

The 'Hounds are gaining the necessary experience by competing against tough competition from Kansas City schools, Adams said.

Chiefs cut ex-MIAA players

In the past week, two of the three former MIAA football players vying for a spot in the NFL have had that dream cut short.

The Kansas City Chiefs cut the NCAA's leading rusher Brian Shay, from Emporia State University, on Aug. 31, the first of two sanctioned cut days.

The Chiefs had expressed an interest in signing Shay to the practice squad, but opted to sign undrafted rookie quarter-

back Ted White to the five man squad.

The Chiefs then cut former Bearcat Jesse Haynes on Sunday.

Haynes, a two-year practice squad participant and also a running back, played for the Scottish Claymores in NFL Europe over the summer.

He played in only one of the Chiefs' preseason games despite being the second leading scorer in NFL Europe with 11 touchdowns and his tally of 300-yards

rushing while with the Claymores.

In Haynes' only NFL appearance of the year, Friday night against the San Diego Chargers, he had one carry for four yards.

Haynes was not re-signed to the practice squad. Haynes was unavailable for comment.

Former Northwest quarterback Chris Greisen is still active with the Arizona Cardinals.

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Bearcats deal with first loss in 2 seasons

Team begins to prep for No. 10 Pitt State Gorillas next week

By MARK HORNICKEL
MANAGING EDITOR

After being knocked off by the University of Nebraska-Omaha, the Bearcats are using their week-end off to regroup for MIAA-rival Pittsburg State University next week.

Amidst an estimated 11,500 fans and a hard, fourth quarter rain, the Mavericks beat the Bearcats 40-17 Saturday night at Caniglia Field in Omaha, Neb. for their first loss in 16 games.

The last Northwest loss was a 35-19 playoff loss to the University of Northern Colorado in 1997.

The Northwest offense, which was virtually unstoppable last season, could only muster 250 yards, including just 50 yards rushing. Junior running back Dan Jansen carried the ball only once before re-injuring a groin muscle.

Junior quarterback Travis Miles, who was chased by the Mavericks' defensive line throughout the game, completed nine of 32 passing attempts for 200 yards and threw four interceptions.

"They did a lot of mixed coverage and it threw us off," Miles said. "It wasn't anything that we had seen from the film when we played them last year. Basically, they just took it to us."

Instead, it was the Nebraska-Omaha offense that could not be stopped. Junior quarterback Kwanzi Watts, who did not even start the game, rushed for 225 yards on 11 carries and notched three touchdown runs of 17, 51 and 80 yards.

Watts and the Mavericks' offense was the difference in the game, head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said.

"I really didn't think that they could put up that many points against us," Tjeerdsma said. "I think (Watts) was the difference in the ball game. I was hoping they'd put him on the sideline and play that other little guy. He's the kind of guy that makes plays. We didn't



Sophomore safety Philip Seemann tackles kick-off returner Vong Xaykasy during the Bearcat's 40-17 loss Saturday. The 'Cats are 1-1 in the season as they prepare to square off against Pittsburg State University 7 p.m. Sept. 17.

do a very good job of tackling him and there's going to be a lot of other people that won't tackle him this year either."

Now, the Bearcats are trying to put the loss behind them and improve for next week's MIAA opener, against Pitt State.

"We've just got to have two solid weeks of practice," Miles said. "I think that was part of our problem last week. We didn't have a crisp week of practice. We've got to pick it up."

Some of the team's focus will be placed on not giving up the big plays and making tackles.

"Unfortunately for us, their (Pitt State) quarterback is a lot like (Watts)," Tjeerdsma said. "He's the same type. He's got quick feet, good speed. That makes it tough. So we're going to do a better job of defending the option."

Without a game scheduled for this weekend, the Bearcats will have two weeks to prepare for the Gorillas. However, Tjeerdsma said

the break is not a total advantage.

"We need it," Tjeerdsma said. "We really do. It'll hurt us a little bit from a psychological standpoint because this will hang with you for two weeks and we're not going to think about it. We can't. We've got to flush it and get ready for the next game. Right now, what our players want more than anything else is to get back on the field and play another game so we can get rid of this. We got two weeks to live with this."

Despite the loss, the team is still aiming for its fourth consecutive MIAA title and playoff berth.

"It's going to be interesting to see how we respond," Tjeerdsma said. "I think a game like this is a real pivotal time for this football team. Do we bounce back and play with a passion and come back at Pitt and play a great game, or do we lay down? We're going to come back and play well. I really believe that. We're going to eliminate the mistakes we've made."



Junior quarterback Travis Miles runs from defenders during the Bearcats 40-17 loss Saturday. Miles was nine of 32 with 200 yards passing, two touchdowns and four interceptions.

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Labor Day hell: family reunions

Labor Day, our last federally observed excuse to get out and enjoy summer. I hope everyone reading had a safe holiday weekend. I'm always interested to ask around and find out what the hip Labor Day thing to do is every year. Usually it involves a boat, a lake, some sun, beer and the opposite sex. For most of you, this was the case.

My weekend, you ask? Well, maybe you didn't ask, but this would be one short column if you didn't, so, my weekend, you ask? Two words: family reunion.

Ah, yes, the single biggest social experiment known to man, a Stroller family reunion. Most of you at one time or another have gone through one of these three-ringed circuses from hell. So, I'm certain I speak for most of us when I say, "Are you sure I wasn't adopted?"

Every year the Springer guest book, known as my family, decides to subject themselves to this mind-numbing event which I defy any Navy SEAL to endure.

Allow me to set the scene: two or three dozen people crammed under a park shelter located near a mosquito farm on a sultry September afternoon. It just screams fiesta, doesn't it?

One by one, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, infants, pets, a few dates and an elderly woman that just shouldn't be let out — ever — storm the park, all of them holding a covered mystery dish which they add to the mile-long buffet table of

family favorites. Of course there's always a few dishes you really look forward to, but then again there's also Aunt Betty's gelatinous concoction, which no one has ever touched in the 25 years we've been coordinating this calamity.

Then comes the real fun — mingling. This is the closest to heavy drug use I'll ever come. Immediately, you must turn on that million-dollar smile and pretend to be happy to see your Uncle Walter who's just a little to "handy" for your liking.

There's the cousin who's around your age, proudly working his way up into management of the same tire store he's been with since he dropped out of high school.

How about the lovable great aunt who can't remember to breathe in and out, much less your name. Still you dutifully and respectfully carry on a polite conversation with the family matriarch as she reminisces in some of her memories of the 1930s when she baby-sat you. "Those were good times, Aunt Grace," you mutter uncomfortably. "How's your brother Edward?" she asks. "Aunt Grace, I'm an only child." Sighing, you give up. "I mean, he's fine."

There's the Grandma, whom you see only once a year or so, and the first words out of her mouth are usually, "Look at you! You know, I don't think you look so bad with some extra weight on you." Thanks Granny, you're a doll.

At her side is Grandpa, who

doesn't say much with the exception of the occasional ethnic slur when spinning an old war tale.

Meanwhile, across the park thousands of Kool-Aid-stained cousins are rolling around in mulch at the bottom of the playground slide. Every so often, you'll catch one of them riffling through the vegetable tray with their filthy hands in search of an olive, only to suck out the pimento and put it back on the tray for later.

Dad and Uncle Stan are laboring over the grill, discussing their golf game and "those damn gas prices today." And Mom is busy with her already tipsy sister's ramblings of how proud she is of her kids. Her "little gems" are both in the corner dressed in black, speaking to no one, not an inch of them unpierced.

The one ray of light amongst this dysfunction is your third cousin from California who's really great looking. Suddenly you find yourself questioning the legal issues surrounding your inbred hillbilly instincts. C'mon, we've all done it.

By and large, your day consists of giving the same pat answers to a dozen different relatives, all asking you what your lifelong goals are.

"You know, Uncle Mark, I'm 20 years old. Why the hell should I know the specific job I'll hold when I graduate in two years? And no, I'm not dating anyone, so what of it?"

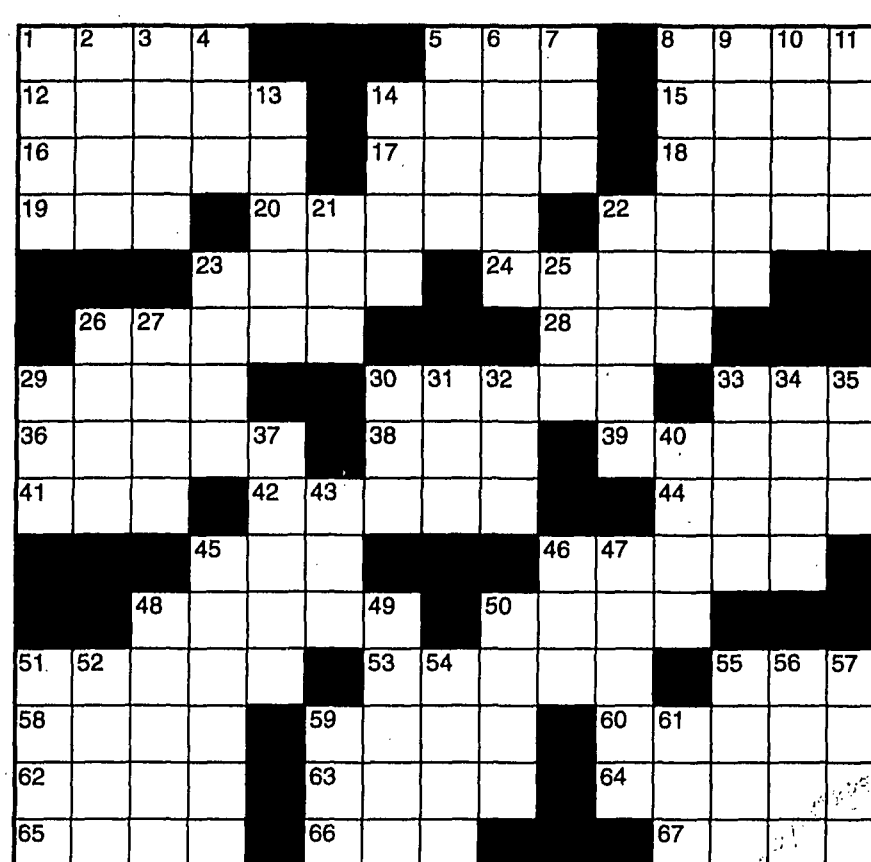
Thankfully, Labor Day rolls around only once a year for me. I need the rest of the year to relax.

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ACROSS

1. The Twilight
5. Took the cake
8. Kong
12. Lifeless
14. Jellystone picnic basket filcher
15. Place of bliss
16. Leveling tool
17. It might be transitive
18. Actress Best
19. Part of the Mideast: abbr.
20. Teammate to Roe and Robinson
22. It's no match for the postman
23. Miscalculates
24. Bullock
26. 1988 Olympics site
28. Eliminate
29. Garment connection
30. Nippon
33. tree (two words)
36. Maxwell and Lancaster
38. Cry of surprise
39. Surrey racetrack locale
41. Clever
42. Opposite of emaciated
44. It begins on Ash Wednesday
45. Bud's bantering

DOWN

46. Accolade
48. Simple song
50. Food eaten on a tuffet
51. Strong
53. Paper Moon Oscar winner
55. Impair
58. Jail
59. Energy Source
60. Hindu religious teacher
62. Little Sheba's creator
63. Mild expletive
64. Navajo home
65. Girl
66. Cleopatra's pet
67. Farm sound



22. Dijon waterway
23. Humorist Bombeck
25. Refrain bit
26. Seaweed
27. Drying oven
29. Mediterranean, e.g.
30. Musician Pass
31. Sounds of wonder
32. Upland author
33. On-line person
34. Duck's milieu
35. Qty.
37. Like a chimney, come spring
40. "With Fire" (Rolling Stones)
43. Interruption word
45. of the valley
46. Exclamation of

on the edge

Bats in the belfry. Like a bat out of hell.

After an encounter with a bat in my apartment over the weekend (see page 3A for my roommate's rendition of the story), I've been subject to every bat cliché known to man.

Now let's look at the real meanings behind the clichés.

■ **Like a bat out of hell:** (Not the version made popular by Meat Loaf.) Rapidly. Why a bat would leave hell any faster than you or I, given the opportunity, is not clear. Moreover, the habitual flight of the bat is, as an 18th century writer put it, an "irregular, uncertain and jerking motion," not symbolic of great speed.

■ **Bats in the belfry:** Crazy; a bit weird or nutty. Bats live in belfries, among other secluded places (like closets, evidently) and since a belfry is usually in the tower of a church, the connection between that lofty place and the human head is easily made. The expression appears to have originated in the United States. In "Colonel Todhunter" (1911), R.D. Saunders wrote: "It's a case of bats in the belfry on that one subject."

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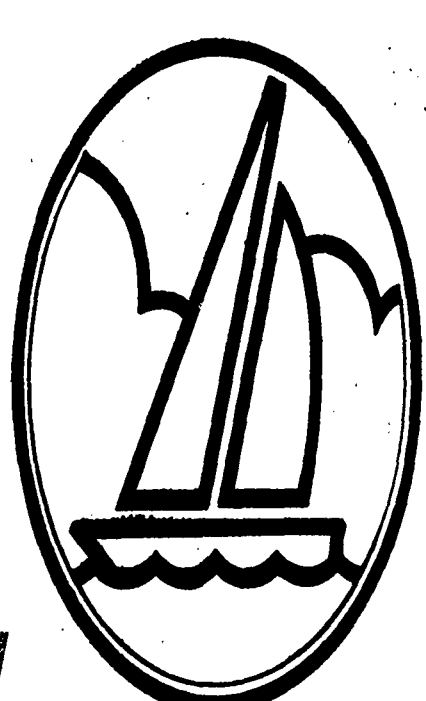
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